## United States Department of State



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## National Interest Determination For Razorback L.L.C. Presidential Permit for Pipeline Facilities To Be Operated and Maintained at the U.S.-Mexico Border

Pursuant to the authority vested in me under Executive Order 13337 of April 30, 2004, and Department of State Delegation of Authority No. 118-2 of January 26, 2006, and subject to satisfaction of the requirements of sections 1(f) and 1(g) of Executive Order 13337, I hereby determine that issuance of a Presidential permit to Razorback L.L.C., a limited liability company organized under the laws of the State of Delaware and an indirect wholly owned subsidiary of TransMontaigne Partners, L.P., a Delaware Limited Partnership, to operate and maintain an existing eight-inch pipeline and a existing six-inch pipeline for the transportation of liquid hydrocarbon products between the United States and Mexico, located at the international border between the United States and Mexico, near Brownsville, Texas, is in the national interest of the United States of America.

The continued operation and maintenance of these pipelines will serve the national interest by providing an efficient and cost-effective means of transporting petroleum products between the United States and Mexico. The lines serve to advance the integration of the North American energy grid, while sustaining American exports. There would also be net benefits to homeland security because these pipelines would continue to reduce the truck traffic volume at border crossings, thereby resulting in fewer searches at the border for smuggled individuals and/or weapons.

This determination shall become final fifteen days after the Attorney General, the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency, and the Secretaries of Defense, Interior, Commerce, Energy, Homeland Security and Transportation have been notified of this proposed determination, unless the matter must be referred to the President for consideration and final decision pursuant to section 1(i) of said Executive Order.

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